

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S.284**

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TO:	The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee		
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SUBJECT:	Parental Rights		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

A Cost to the General Fund (See Below)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

A Cost of Federal and/or Other Funds (See Below)

BILL SUMMARY:

The Bill would establish the Responsible Father Registry within the Department of Social Services.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Department of Social Services

The Department indicates this Bill would require additional first year General Funds totaling \$293,342 and Federal Funds totaling \$215,139 for a total first year impact of \$508,481. Of this amount, \$411,840 (50% State General Funds and 50% Federal) would be for first year non-recurring expenses associated with registry application design, program development, program testing and developing system requirements needed to integrate the registry into agency's existing Child Adult Protective System (CAPSS). Recurring General Funds of \$87,422 would cover salary and fringe benefits for two FTE positions (Administrative Assistants) and other operating expenses. Recurring Federal funds of \$9,219 would cover salary and fringe benefits for a 0.22 FTE position (Application Analyst II) and other operating expenses. These positions would develop business practice, forms and certificates, and maintain the registry.

Judicial Department

The Department indicates this Bill will have a minimal impact on the General Fund of the State, which can be absorbed by the agency at the current level of funding.

SPECIAL NOTES:

The Department of Social Services indicates that implementation of this registry could have a negative impact on the timeline for completion of the Child Adult Protective Services System (CAPSS) to become a certified Statewide Automated Child Welfare Information System (SACWIS).

Approved by:



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